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In response to the Final Rejection dated February 7, 2007, Applicants file this Request for Continued Examination rather than an Appeal Brief. A request for a two (2) month extension of time (from the date of the Notice of Appeal) is being concurrently filed.

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